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Christopher M. Alston
U.S. Bankruptcy Judge

(Dated as of Entered on Docket date above)

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IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

In re

Jack Carlton Cramer, Jr.,

Debtor.

Chapter 7

Case No. 18-13383

ORDER DENYING MOTION FOR
RECONSIDERATION

This matter came before the Court on the Debtor's Motion for Reconsideration of Order Entered April 9, 2019, Directing Debtor to Turn Over Property of the Estate (the "Motion") (ECF No. 73). The Court entered the Order Directing Debtor to Turn Over Property of the Estate (the "Order") (ECF No. 70) on April 9, 2019. The Debtor filed the Motion on April 23, 2019. In the Motion, the Debtor explains that he requests reconsideration of the Order because he received legal advice in this bankruptcy from an individual who resigned his law license in

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1 lieu of disbarment. He also asserts that he has been pre-approved for a reverse mortgage, which
2 will pay creditors in full.

3 Motions for reconsideration are disfavored and are usually to be denied without a
4 showing of either manifest error or of new facts or law that could not have previously been
5 brought before the court with reasonable diligence. Local Civil Rule 7(h), applicable through
6 Local Bankruptcy Rule 9013-1(h).
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8 The Debtor has not shown manifest error or new facts or law that would have altered the
9 Court's ruling. 11 U.S.C. § 521(a)(4) states that "[t]he debtor shall . . . if a trustee is serving in
10 the case . . . surrender to the trustee all property of the estate . . ." Section 521(a)(4) strictly
11 requires a debtor to surrender property of the estate to a case trustee; it includes no defenses for a
12 debtor who seeks to retain such property. While the Court is sympathetic to the Debtor's
13 situation and deeply concerned by the allegations regarding his former petition preparer, the
14 Debtor's new facts do not alter his obligations under section 521(a)(4). Therefore, it is hereby
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16 ORDERED that the Debtor's Motion is DENIED.

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18 /// END OF ORDER ///